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WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A gliding apparatus comprising:

- a support surface provided to support a rider's two feet;
- a gliding surface provided to glide along a surface;

said support and gliding surfaces being opposite one to the other providing a spacing therebetween;

said support and gliding surfaces substantially having the same length; said support surface being wider than said gliding surface; and a closed volume is demarcated between said support and gliding surfaces.

2. A gliding apparatus according to claim 1, wherein:

a first shovel of the support surface and a first shovel of the gliding surface meet;

a second shovel of the support surface and a second shovel of the gliding surface meet;

a first lateral side edge connects a first edge of the gliding surface to a connecting surface of the support surface; and

a second lateral side edge connects a second edge of the gliding surface to the connecting surface of the support surface.

3. A gliding apparatus according to claim 2, wherein:

the first and second shovels are respectively tangent one to the other and coupled one to the other.

4. A gliding apparatus according to claim 2, wherein:

the first shovel comprises a curved portion having center(s) of curvature on the side of a top of the support surface. P23812.S02 S 1009/US

5. A gliding apparatus according to claim 1, wherein:
a support cover is affixed to a top of the support surface.

6. A gliding apparatus according to claim 1, wherein:
longitudinal grooves are provided on a side of a bottom of the gliding surface.

7. A gliding apparatus according to claim 6, wherein:
the grooves extend both along a central portion and partially at least along the shovels of the gliding surface.

- 8. A gliding apparatus according to claim 6, wherein: said longitudinal grooves are constituted by three grooves.
- 9. A gliding apparatus according to claim 2, wherein:

the gliding apparatus has two main portions, said two main portions comprising a first portion having the support surface, the lateral side edges, and the gliding surface, the support surface having an opening, and a second portion comprising a cover for closing the opening.

10. A gliding apparatus according to one of claims 2, wherein:

the gliding apparatus has two main portions, said two main portions comprising a first portion having the gliding surface and the lateral side edges, and a second portion formed by the support surface.

11. A gliding apparatus according to claim 2, wherein:

the gliding apparatus has two main portions, said two main portions comprising a first portion being the gliding surface, the second portion being the support

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surface, said two main portions being affixed one to the other by an intermediary layer that extends between the surfaces, opposite the gliding surface.